

**78B-6-109. Determination of rights prior to adoption petition.**

(1) (a) Any interested person may petition a court having jurisdiction over adoption proceedings for a determination of the rights and interests of any person who may claim an interest in a child under this part.

(b) The petition described in Subsection (1) may be filed at any time before the finalization of the adoption, including before:

- (i) the child's birth;
- (ii) a petition for adoption is filed; or
- (iii) a petition to terminate parental rights is filed.

(2) If a petition for adoption or a petition to terminate parental rights has been filed in district court, the petitioner or any interested person may, without filing a separate petition, move the court for a determination of the rights and interests of any person who may claim an interest in a child under this part.

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